

districts bear the burden for any residential care that may be imposed upon them. Now if you are concerned about what might happen to the local school districts during that period of time, I suggest that you vote against the bracketing motion on LB 518 and vote to advance the bill. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, as you are already aware, I certainly oppose the motion to bracket and I would like to assert one more time that I am very much in favor of an overall look at special education and how expenditures can be controlled but, again, this bill really doesn't have anything significant to do with that particular effort. Senator Warner has indicated to you how some small things or things that we thought would be small have, in fact, ballooned and it is true that they have but I submit to you that the particular area that we are talking about now, residential care, which has been in effect for three years or so, and there are one or two cases involved, there is no trend of increased usage. There is by terms of a definition, by the fact that we are talking about very severe kinds of cases where residential care is involved, I think it is very, very unlikely that there would be any mushrooming effect in this particular area and so I don't think that you should be bothered by the fact that in other areas there has been some mushrooming. It just doesn't seem to me to logically relate. So I would ask you once more not to bracket this particular bill.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner, do you wish to close on your amendment...on your motion?

SENATOR WARNER: Well, Mr. President and members of the Legislature, in offering the motion I am in no way attempting to put down the additional service that 518 might logically provide but the fact remains I can't sit here for four sessions and that everybody talks about that, yeah, we have got to have a better cost containment method than we currently have, and basically because it is a reimbursement type operation, it can always be put off until the following year which means it is put off for two years, and there is always talk, yeah, we are going to study it, and everybody agrees to do that and nothing ever happens. And I don't expect, Senator Vickers, I will be surprised if much happens